

ARTICLE VII
**Traffic Controls for Street and Highway Construction and Maintenance
Operations**

§ 248-36. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways.

- A. The Township Committee hereby finds and declares that problems of traffic control occur when traffic must be moved through or around road or street construction, maintenance operations and utility work, above or below ground, which requires blocking the roadway and obstructing the normal flow of traffic and that such obstructions are or can become dangerous when not properly controlled. In order to better promote the public health, safety, peace and welfare, it is necessary to establish controls and regulations directed to the safe and expeditious movement of traffic through construction and maintenance zones and to provide safety for the work forces performing these operations.
- B. The Township of South Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, does hereby adopt the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, hereafter known as "M.U.T.C.D.," except as hereby supplemented and amended, as it controls and regulates whenever construction, maintenance operations or utility work obstructs the normal flow of traffic. Any person, contractor or utility who fails to comply with the provisions of M.U.T.C.D. while performing such work is in violation of this section.

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§ 248-37. Preconstruction meeting.

It shall be the responsibility of the person, contractor or, in the case of a public utility, as required under the public utility agreement Section 16:25-9.2, wishing to conduct work on, under or above the roadway to contact the Traffic Bureau of the South Brunswick Police Department to arrange a preconstruction meeting in order to submit plans for the safe movement of traffic during such period of construction or work. Any person, contractor or utility who fails to comply with this section prior to the start of such work or whose plans are not approved by the Traffic Bureau of the South Brunswick Police Department is in violation of this section.

§ 248-38. Emergency contact telephone numbers.

The person, contractor or utility shall provide the Traffic Bureau with at least two (2) emergency contact phone numbers to be called in the event of emergency problems at the construction or maintenance site prior to the start of any work. If, for any reason, emergency contacts cannot be reached or if the emergency contact person does not respond to a call from the Police Department to correct a hazardous condition, the township may respond to correct such hazardous condition. The reasonable fees for such emergency services by the township shall be charged to the person, contractor or utility responsible for such condition.

§ 248-39. Time limits.

There shall be no construction, maintenance operations or utility work on any roadway in the township before the hour of 9:00 a.m. or after 4:00 p.m. This time limit may be adjusted to permit work prior to 9:00 a.m. or after 4:00 p.m. by the officer in charge of the Traffic Bureau of the South Brunswick Police Department. If it is determined by the officer in charge of the South Brunswick Police Traffic Bureau that the construction or maintenance operations prior to 9:00 a.m. or after 4:00 p.m. would substantially delay traffic or cause a safety or health hazard, the work shall then be permitted only between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

§ 248-40. Road closings and detours.

Road closings and/or traffic detours shall not be permitted unless approved by the South Brunswick Police Traffic Bureau.

§ 248-41. Traffic directors.

Traffic directors shall be posted at all construction or maintenance sites when determined by the South Brunswick Police Traffic Bureau that the same are necessary to provide for the safe and expeditious movement of traffic.

§ 248-42. Stop work.

The Traffic Bureau of the South Brunswick Police Department shall have the authority to stop work, including the removal of equipment and vehicles, stored material within the street right-of-way, backfilling of open excavations and/or other related work, in order to abate any nuisance and/or safety hazard or for any violation of this Article. The cost to abate any hazardous conditions shall be borne by the person, contractor or utility responsible for such condition.

§ 248-43. Violations and penalties.

- A. Any person, contractor or utility who commits a violation of this Article shall, upon conviction thereof for a first offense, pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.) and/or be imprisoned for a term not exceeding ninety (90) days; for a second offense, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of not less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.) and/or be imprisoned for a term not exceeding ninety (90) days; and for a third or subsequent conviction, pay a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.) and/or be imprisoned for a term not exceeding ninety (90) days.
- B. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.